

Murray History Board
Minutes for March 23, 2010

Attendance: David Adams, Kathy Romero, Jay Bollwinkel, Susan Wright, Mary Ann Kirk (staff)

Excused: Steve Meyers

1. Minutes for February 23, 2010 were approved as written.
2. The History Advisory Board formally recommended removing City Hall and the *Hoffman building from the significant building list and retaining the fire station and both duplexes as significant buildings. The Board felt the fire station could be incorporated into a larger development. The Board talked about three options for the duplexes. Removing the significant designation, retaining only one as significant, or recommending both be designated as significant. They voted to designate both as significant because of their unique architectural elements but even more so because they are part of a larger historic "area" that they felt has retained much of its historic quality and is worth preserving as a whole. They felt these buildings could be incorporated into a mixed use development or adapting the duplexes for small businesses. *(Note: the Hoffman Building recommendation for removal as significant was reversed at the April 27, 2010 meeting).
3. The Board reviewed the potential demolition of two residential buildings located at 4837 Poplar. The framed home at the rear was moved there in the 1970s and lacks historic significance. The brick home has some historic significance related to people who lived there. However, it is small and would take a lot of money to restore. It could be moved and incorporated as part of a historic park across the street but that won't happen for several years. Board members agreed that the crime related issues and lack of finances for rehabilitation outweighed the historic preservation potential for the brick home. They thought it was appropriate to send some photos to the Heritage Foundation to ask if anyone is interested in moving it to another location.
4. Several B sites listed on the local registry were reviewed and approved to remain on the registry for historic significance. A number of these homes were directly related to the smelter industry or early development of an area.

1104 W Winchester
746 E 4800 South
6640 S 700 West
5448 S 700 West
4580 S 200 West
1525 S 6400 South
677 West 6300 South

63 W 5900 South
676 E 4800 South
6383 South 1300 East
5946 S 620 East
54 Woodrow
1725 E Vine
50 East 6100 South

5. Mary Ann passed out a list of potential landmarks and noted that the Murray 2nd Ward and the Murray Laundry should be added to the list. Mary Ann asked board members to think if anything else should be added. Jay suggested we get some current photos of each. A tour might be good. Kathy would like to see the second floor of the fire station.